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From The Director...

Some US Presidents are more interesting than others. I particularly liked Thomas Jefferson (1743 - 1826) who had a penchant for vanilla ice cream, owned several thousand books in his personal library and wrote about 19,000 letters during his lifetime. He was also the principal author of The Declaration of Independence and served as the third US President from 1801 to 1809. I was pleased to see so many of our dads join us for Father's Breakfast recently, where we examined the power and impact of social media. I wonder whether Jefferson would have embraced twitter as a communication platform were he around today!

- Mr O'Connor, School Director

SERVANT LEADER



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He who knows best knows how little he knows.

Thomas Jefferson

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From the Head Teacher

Here are some things parents can do to help their child take responsibility for their belongings: 1. Set the example within the family home: create high expectations around care of personal belongings 2. Don't immediately replace lost items with new ones. Together as a school and as parents, we can work together to ensure that children understand the monetary cost of their forgetfulness and the importance of responsibility later in life. Please support us in this and send a strong message to your children!

- Mrs Gilbert, Head Teacher

EAMUN Conference...

The East African Model United Nations theme this year was 'tujenge pamoja' which translates to 'building together'. Delegates from several schools across East Africa drafted resolutions to our real world problems and debated them in different committees. We got the opportunity to listen to speeches from various keynote speakers every morning at the General Assembly including, Her Excellency, The First Lady Margaret Kenyatta and Mary Waceke Muia, (expert on gender diversity). Our security council's resolution passed, Wanja took the position of Assistant Media Director throughout the week and Shakinar was appointed to the Executive Committee as a Deputy Secretary General.

- Andrew & Goldalyn, Year 10



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WEEK



Last week...

Whilst our collective attention at Runda last week was on Mid-Year Assessments, we still managed to host Hockey fixtures in all age groups – U9, U11, U13 and U15 – as well as an Inter-School tournament for U7. We also welcomed many of our fathers to Father's Breakfast on Friday morning, as well as the parents of Year 1, 2 and Reception class for an Open Book event in the Early Learning School. Also on Friday, our Scouts enjoyed commemorating their founder Lord Baden-Powell's birthday.



Father's Breakfast

Over the weekend...

Our Brookhouse Runda U7 Mixed Football Tournament attracted 160 students and their coaches from a range of international schools. It was great to see the school field fully in use and to welcome so many parents from visiting schools as well as our own parents.



This week..

Year 9 and 10 undertake their Mid-Year Assessments. Meanwhile, the Year 7 are off to Naivasha on Wednesday for their Geography field trip. The sporting calendar continues with Hockey fixtures in U11 and U15, whilst the U9 will attend a Hockey tournament on Thursday and we host a mixed football tournament in this same age group on Friday. On the same day, we welcome feeder kindergartens for our Year 1 Arts Festival. Then on Saturday, we look forward to hosting competitors from all over East Africa for the First Lego League tournament.





News from the ELS...

In the ELS, our Stage 3 class has been learning about people and their roles. This led to a visit to Ms Gilbert's office and learning about her role. The children visited wearing different head gear made in class, some chose to be nurses and others were firefighters; some were doctors and others were police officers. They all learned about our Headteacher and the sort of work she does every day.



Progress Participation

The "Open Book" Session for Reception to Year 2 was led by the children and was well attended by the parents.

Soccer Stars...

The U7 Football tournament on Saturday showcased many skills including Tenacity, Teamwork and Communication, as well as the opportunity to play against teams from different schools. I must say it was a special and proud day for us all to have hosted this event, and we all had great fun!

- Mrs Hunjan-Patel, Head of ELS



KEY DATES FOR THE WEEK

MID-YEAR ASSESSMENT WEEK Year 9-10

- **Tuesday 26th** : Year 3 and 4 Lifeskills ; Year 7 & 8 Wellness
U11 Fixtures v Oshwal (a)
- **Wednesday 27th** : Year 7 Joint Geography trip to Naivasha until 1st March, back Friday by 3:30pm
- **Thursday 28th**: Welcome to the Atelier for Stage 1, 2, 3 and Reception; KAISO U9 Boys and Girls Hockey Tournament (a) at St Christophers, U15 Fixtures Hockey v NIS (h)

- **Friday 1st March**: Wellness Year 9 and 10 ; Runda U9 Mixed Football Tournament; Young Arts Festival for visiting kindergartens
- **Saturday 2nd March**: First Lego League competition at Runda campus



ROUND SQUARE CONFERENCES

St. Andrews School

Round Square Regional Conference in St Andrews School, Grahamstown 12th-16th April 2019 for 16-18 year olds.



The Emerald Heights

Round Square International Conference For 16 - 18 year olds Hosted by The Emerald Heights International School, India 2nd - 8th October 2019

South Asia and the Gulf

Round Square International Conference for 15-18 year olds. October 2019



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Sports Update...

Last week all age groups participated in fixtures and represented the school well. The highlight of the week, however, was hosting twenty teams on Saturday for our second annual U7 mixed football festival which was well attended and enjoyed by 160 students. Our students played very well throughout the tournament and displayed great teamwork and enthusiasm in every match.

- Mr Martyn, Sport Leader

